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SUBJECT: IEA: SLT MINUTES OF JUNE 30-JULY 1, 1976

PLEASE PASS TO PETER KELLY, IEA SECRETARIAT

1. WE SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING CHANGES BE MADE IN THE
MINUTES OF THE SLT MEETING BEFORE MAKING APPROPRIATE
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2. II. REDUCED DEPENDENCE OBJECTIVES: (SUBSTITUTE FOR
ORIGINAL)

THE SLT AGREED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL BY THE GOVERNING
BOARD OF A TIMETABLE AND PROCEDURE FOR ESTABLISHING IEA
REDUCED DEPENDENCE OBJECTIVES BY THE END OF THE YEAR
(IEA/SLT(76)57 1ST REVISION). THE GROUP CONSIDERED BUT DID
NOT ADOPT A DRAFT CHAIRMAN'S NOTE (ROOM DOCUMENT NO. 2)
PROPOSING NATIONAL AS WELL AS GROUP OBJECTIVES ACCOMPANIED
BY POLICY COMMITMENTS FOR ADOPTION AT A MINISTERIAL LEVEL
MEETING IN MARCH 1977. MANY DELEGATIONS FELT THIS PRO-
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POSED NEW TIMETABLE WAS PREMATURE PRIOR TO GOVERNING BOARD

CONSIDERATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE MATTER. SLT PROPOSAL (IEA/SLT(76)57 1ST REVISION) DOES HOWEVER INCLUDE A FOOTNOTE STATING THAT THE SUGGESTED TIMETABLE AND PROCEDURE MAY BE MODIFIED IN LIGHT OF SUBSEQUENT GOVERNING BOARD DISCUSSION.

3. III & IV. NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES: (SUBSTITUTE FOR ORIGINAL)

SLT ADOPTED A REVISED MANDATE FOR A NEW NUCLEAR SUBGROUP (ANNEX A). THE NEW MANDATE INCORPORATES ACTIVITIES NOW BEING DONE BY THE SUBGROUP ON ENRICHED URANIUM SUPPLY AND THE AD HOC GROUP ON EMERGENCY SHARING OF NATURAL AND ENRICHED URANIUM AND URANIUM SERVICES. THESE TWO GROUPS WILL CEASE TO EXIST. IN ADDITION, THE MANDATE CALLS FOR ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY RELATING TO ALL FACETS OF THE NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE BUT WILL NOT DUPLICATE ONGOING WORK IN THE OECD OR R&D COMMITTEE. THE MANDATE WILL BE REVIEWED AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME BUT NOT LATER THAN JULY 1979.

4. KEEP ORIGINAL LANGUAGE OF STATEMENT OF CANADIAN AND NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENTS CONCERNING THE NUCLEAR SUBGROUP MANDATE.

5. THE SLT AGREED ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT OF THE AD HOC GROUP ON EMERGENCY SHARING OF NATURAL AND ENRICHED URANIUM AND URANIUM SERVICES (IEA/SLT (76)46). THE REPORT WAS REFERRED TO THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED NUCLEAR SUBGROUP AND THE SUBGROUPS CHAIRMAN WAS ASKED TO PROVIDE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE DESIRABILITY OF UNDERTAKING STUDIES TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON LEAD-TIMES AND WORKING STOCKS IN THE FRONT END OF THE FUEL CYCLE AND ON ACTIONS TO EXTEND FUEL CORE LIFE.

6. V. MINIMUM SAFEGUARD PRICE:(SUBSTITUTE FOR ORIGINAL)
THE SLT WAS UNABLE TO RESOLVE THE TWO REMAINING MSP ISSUES - (1) THE INTERPRETATION OF THE MSP LEVEL AND (2) THE EXCLUSION OR INCLUSION OF PETROCHEMICAL FEEDSTOCKS. THE CHAIRMAN SUBMITTED A COMPROMISE PROPOSAL TO THE SLT AND INDICATED HIS INTENTION TO PRESENT IT TO THE GOVERNING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BOARD. THIS COMPROMISE INCLUDED 1) SIMPLE SINGLE LEVEL FOR INTERPRETING MSP LEVEL (OPTION A, ARABIAN LIGHT); 2) INCLUSION OF ALL OIL PRODUCTS UNDER MSP; 3) EXCLUSION OF PETROCHEMICAL FEEDSTOCKS; 4) REVIEW CLAUSE ON BOTH ELEMENTS; 5) CLAUSE LINKING TREATMENT OF BOTH ELEMENTS TOGETHER TO ASSURE EQUITABLE BALANCE.

THE SLT AGREED TO RECOMMEND THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD

ADOPT SUGGESTED SOLUTIONS TO THE OTHER FOUR MSP TECHNICAL ISSUES (IEA/SLT(76)).

7. PARAGRAPH VI, VII AND VIII ARE OK

8. PARAGRAPH IX - SHOULD BECOME PARAGRAPH X AND READ AS FOLLOWS:

- MR. H.L. SCHMID, SWITZERLAND, WAS APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF THE CONSERVATION SUBGROUP.

MR. P. BORRE, U.S. WAS NAMED CHAIRMAN OF THE ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT SUBGROUP.

MR. C. HERZIG, U.K., WAS NAMED CHAIRMAN OF THE NUCLEAR SUBGROUP.

9. NEW PARAGRAPH IX: THE US DELEGATION NOTED THAT SEVERAL DELEGATIONS HAD SUBMITTED WRITTEN COMMENTS AND FURTHER SUGGESTIONS ON PROPOSALS FOR IMPLEMENTING THE LONG-TERM PROGRAM (IEA/GB(76)L5). IT WAS AGREED THAT THESE PAPERS WOULD BE CONSIDERED AT THE NEXT SLT MEETING.

10. ANNEX A IS OK . KISSINGER

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